

# New door opens for UDRI as NCR closes down in Dayton

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UD is in negotiations with NCR to purchase its former world headquarters building and the 150 acres surrounding it.

This opportunity brings forth many possibilities to UD, especially for the University of Dayton Research Institute, for further advancement for the university. Richard Stock, director of Business Research Group said economic development is not about the move. It's about what UDRI will do.

"The UD move is largely symbolic if no additional UDRI work is brought here from elsewhere or no new UDRI contracts are based there," Stock said. "If new UDRI contract work is done there or UDRI work is consolidated from other bases or other office space outside Montgomery County then it helps the county."

Sen. Jon Husted said the move of NCR has several effects on the city of Dayton's economy.

"First, it eliminates the Dayton-based jobs of over 1,000 well-paid, educated and talented people," Husted said. "Second, it provides a real



NCR, which provided over 1,000 jobs to local people, is being shut down and moved to Georgia. JARED SZECHY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

and psychological blow to the image and marketability of our region as an information technology growth region."

Husted said both of these reasons have immediate and long-term consequences. However, he believes it is time to start moving forward.

By UD purchasing the headquarter

ters and land, it is not just an attempt to save the region.

"Contrary to media imagination, the region does not need to be saved," Stock said. "We are going through a transition from large plant manufacturing but that is not the same as being at death's door."

Husted said if UD purchases the

land it will be a positive step toward its reuse and renewal.

"Having the property under local ownership by someone who cares deeply about the community is much better than it being owned by a company that is headquartered in Georgia," Husted said.

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## Provost Office considers new 2010-2011 school calendar

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University of Dayton's Provost Office is considering making several changes to the 2010-2011 academic calendar.

The new calendar is expected to include a winter recess that extends approximately two weeks into January, which will eliminate Monday through Friday exam study days and

lengthen the spring semester halfway into May.

"The change is being suggested in an effort to provide a better overall learning and service experience for the majority of the students," said Thomas Westendorf, UD's assistant provost and registrar.

According to UD Provost Joseph Saliba, the potential new calendar was suggested for multiple reasons.

"The main purpose of changing

the calendar is to have a little bit more time for the Christmas and New Year's recess," he said. "The most important reason is that the faculty and staff really don't have the time to prepare for the next semester."

Many national academic conferences take place during the first week of January and it is difficult for staff members to leave campus at that time.

"A lot of universities are still in a recession and our faculty is losing out on that because it's hard to leave on the first week," Saliba said.

A main concern for the projected calendar is that it will shorten the summer semester to 10 weeks instead of the current calendar's 12-week summer semester. This will not allow students enrolling in summer courses to obtain a 15-credit-

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## Car, bicycle theft numbers at peak high, thieves remain unidentified

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Adding to the list of crimes this year are auto and bicycle thefts, which have occurred multiple times in the past month and a half, leaving UD police searching for the culprits.

Within the past month, three automotive vehicles have been stolen from parking lots RP14, SV and S2 lots on campus. One vehicle was stolen Oct. 18, and two were stolen Oct. 20.

"These things usually seem to go in spurts, where you'll have a rash of thefts," said Executive Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police Bruce Burt.

Burt believes that these thefts are performed by someone from the Dayton area. At this time, they have no suspects.

Police have recovered all three vehicles. One vehicle was found on campus, one in the city of Dayton and one in the city of Fairborn. Burt said the vehicles were older models and easier models to steal.

During one incident, Burt said that the suspect brought an already stolen vehicle on campus, left it, and went to steal a vehicle on campus.

Determining when these thefts are taking place is difficult because students park their vehicles in these lots and don't return to them for some time. According to Burt, the university has over 700 security cameras on campus, and it is difficult to monitor all of the cameras.

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weather

(Source: www.nws.noaa.gov)

You may want to change your costume to include a poncho for this rainy Halloween.

TODAY

67/50

Showers likely.

SATURDAY

58/39

Chance of showers

SUNDAY

55/39

Mostly sunny

STUDENT FRIENDLY STUART FIELD?

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# YOU'RE NOT AS SAFE AS YOU MAY THINK

## KNOW THE FACTS

The threat of sexual assault is a constant danger for men and women everyday. Statistically women are at a much higher risk than men. College age women are **4** times more likely to be sexually assaulted than women of any other age group. The use of alcohol raises the risk level even more.

Every year the Halloween holiday is always a big party weekend. Large numbers of people get dressed up in costumes and in many cases abuse alcohol. There always seems to be a heightened number of sexual assaults.

Don't become a statistic. Take these steps in order to protect yourself and those around you.

### Protect yourself:

- When you go to a party, go with a group of friends. Arrive together, check in with each other and leave together.
- **Practice safe drinking.** Try not to leave any beverages unattended or accept drinks from someone you don't know or trust.
- **Have a buddy system.** Don't be afraid to let a friend know if something is making you uncomfortable or if you are worried about your or your friend's safety.
- If someone you don't know or trust asks you to go somewhere alone, let him or her know that you would rather stay with the group.

If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted here are some on-campus resources who you can contact in a confidential manner:

Dr. Mary Buchwalder, Health Center: 937.229.3131  
Dr. Becky Cook, Counseling Center: 937.229.3141  
Sr. Linda Lee Jackson, Campus Ministry: 937.229.3570

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**65%** of attacks are unreported, making sexual assault the "silent epidemic." Sexual assault remains the most drastically underreported crime.

**90%** of women know the person who sexually assaulted or raped them.

**75%** of the time, the offender, the victim, or both have been drinking.

**42%** of college women who are raped tell no one about the assault.

**1 in 4** women will be raped during their college career.

**3%** Of college women nationally have experienced rape or attempted rape during the academic year. This means, for example, that a campus with 6,000 coeds will have an average of *one rape per day* during the school year.

\*This means that at a university with about 7500 undergrads, there is, statistically, about an average of 1 rape every other day on campus.

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# NEW STUART FIELD TO BETTER SERVE STUDENTS

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Imagine a turf-ed Stuart Field as home for an outdoor sports complex and a challenge ropes course.

Dave Ostrander, RecPlex associate director, said it's time to start talking about Stuart Field renovations.

Currently, UD has no major on-campus venues for sport clubs. Tennis courts are off campus, and soccer clubs have limited off-campus access. Lacrosse and field hockey teams are temporarily reduced to unlit CPC fields. Since these locations are not within walking distance of campus, students are discouraged from supporting UD's nationally recognized sports teams. No area exists on campus for outdoor sports such as basketball, tennis or inline hockey.

Even though the odd shape of Stuart Field has many drainage issues and durability problems, this unsafe surface still has hope, according to Ostrander. The field's

5.61 acres of open, centrally located, well-lit area in close proximity to the RecPlex allows for numerous renovation possibilities.

Installing an infill turf product for most of the Stuart Field site with a lighted, paved walkway around the playing area will provide a consistent, safe surface for intramural and club sports, Ostrander said.

Stuart Field's central location allows for students to access the site with a short walk. A turf field also provides usage all months of the year. Even when no intramural or club programs take place, the turf field would be available for student use.

A challenging high or low ropes course provides activities for leadership training for student staffs, clubs, organizations and classes. This obstacle course is composed of poles, cables and bolts, with ropes serving as the means to complete the course. Sometimes these courses are suspended in the air, on the ground or a combination of the two.

According to Ostrander, this challenge course could enhance skills such as leadership, listening, planning, problem solving, team building and communication skills. He also claims that this could be the beginning of development of outdoor education programming for UD.

An open, outdoor sport complex would provide a campus area for numerous outdoor activities that could all occur simultaneously. A staging and seating area would exist for those who wish to support these outdoor events.

In order to begin the proposed renovation options, the field must first be leveled. The total cost of project completion, including leveling, would cost roughly \$3 million.

How will this project be funded? Donors? Student and user fees?

"The million-dollar question remains," Ostrander said.

Despite this question of financial support, once 70 percent of the money is received the actual

building process can begin. The entire process is projected to take anywhere from nine to 12 months. The most optimal plan would be for building to start in early spring, and be ready for students in the fall.

If interested in voicing concerns, comments, and/or questions about this project, e-mail [udintramurals@notes.udayton.edu](mailto:udintramurals@notes.udayton.edu). Students are welcome to offer their input.



Stuart Field, now empty, may one day house an outdoor sports complex. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

## THEFTS

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"Neither one of these [bicycle or auto thefts] have a significant pattern," Burt said. "It's hard to pinpoint when it's happening."

Prior to last October, the last time a vehicle was stolen on campus was Jan. 2009. Typically two to three grand theft autos occur in a year, Burt said. Thefts from auto happen more frequently when the vehicle is broken into.

"That's part of our frustration," Burt said. "We've had repeated individuals, especially with the theft from auto."

UD police advise students to lock their vehicles and to take all valuables out of vehicles before leaving them.

"There's not a whole lot you can really do other than keep an eye out for each other when you're in the lots," Burt said. "If you see something suspicious, call Public Safety. The more eyes and ears out there would be the best crime prevention."

Bicycle thefts have also been a frequent problem on campus.

Burt said that typically only five to 10 bicycles will be stolen a year. This year, over 20 bicycles have been stolen. These bicycles range from \$100 to around \$1000, Burt said. These thefts have happened on all parts of campus. And it looks like the trend is continuing.

"Unfortunately, it's not stopping," Burt said.

Sophomore Laurel Hanna wit-

nessed her bicycle being stolen at 365 Garden Apartments.

"I'm not really sure how he picked my bike," Hanna said. "I don't think [public safety] could have done anything about it, I think that security is fine. If someone's going to steal something they're going to find a way. I think it's more about making sure you have a deterrent lock."

Two suspects have been charged for bicycle theft and the charges are being processed downtown.

"I think they're crimes of opportunity," Burt said. "A lot of the Dayton roads look at UD as a fertile ground for theft."

Students can register their bicycle with the Department of Public Safety online to help keep them from getting stolen.



Junior Crista Kling locks up her car on Woodland to avoid theft and damages. LAURA MACK/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

# Rescue Squad responsibilities highlighted during EMS week

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Since your mom is at home, the Rescue Squad has your back.

Known for late night trips through the Ghetto and their comforting presence in times of need, the Rescue Squad has been on campus since 1992. But few UD students are aware of the extent to which the Rescue Squad is involved at Dayton.

This can change Nov. 9, the start of Collegiate EMS Week, an event recognized on campuses across the country.

The purpose is to "celebrate the men and women who provide emergency medical services in the community and to help educate the public on what exactly EMS does," UD Rescue Squad Chief Tommy Graul said.

For those Flyers who are not familiar with the Rescue Squad, its job description is not a simple one. They are chosen through a rigorous screening process. Last year only 18 applicants out of the more than 60 who applied were asked to join the squad.

Members are EMT-certified and have completed clinical time

at Miami Valley Hospital, as well as participated in ride-alongs with organizations like the Dayton Fire Department. In addition, they are required to participate in over 120 hours of class time, which is broken up into four hour periods, two to three times a week during the fall semester. Once certified, the students are responsible for taking the steps to renew their certification.

In honor of Collegiate EMS Week, the Rescue Squad is opening up a variety of services to Dayton students. Free CPR classes will be open to the campus and the Squad will be distributing magnets with their contact information to the dorms and throughout the Ghetto.

In addition, Miami Valley Careflight will be landing a helicopter on Stuart Field between noon and 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10. Students will have the opportunity to learn more about what the careflight does, while also meeting the crew and touring the helicopter. Although a date has not been confirmed yet, the Rescue Squad also hopes to visit the Bombeck Center and give the kids a tour of the ambulance.

To cap off the week of festivities, the Rescue Squad will be hosting a

cookout in the Kennedy Union green space Friday, Nov. 13, from noon-2 p.m. Also in attendance will be the Dayton Fire Department, which is planning to bring a fire truck.

EMS week is a chance to talk with the Rescue Squad and learn about their true involvement on campus.

"We are trained and certified EMT-Basics and we do more than just pick up drunks," said squad member Mike Czajka. "We are not a 'drunk bus' as many people have called us. Most of our calls are not intoxications, but many of our calls are alcohol related."

The week can also serve as a reminder of how much the Rescue Squad does for the campus. Friday and Saturday night shifts each last over 12 hours.

Anyone who is interested in finding out more about the Collegiate EMS Week, the free CPR classes, or just the Rescue Squad in general, can go to their Web site, <http://campus.udayton.edu/~squad1/aboutus.php>.

"We are students," said Czajka. "We are here to help the campus, and we're never here to get anyone in trouble."

# Class registration simple if prepared

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November is right around the corner which means it's almost time to begin registering for classes.

For many students, it's not choosing the class that's the difficult part. It's the process of going about registering and making sure credits get fulfilled.

While some may not have much difficulty, some steps of the process may get some students a bit frustrated.

To limit stress of last-minute registering, it is important for students to write down the date and time of registration. Late registration isn't much of a problem for those with an early registration date if they register a day or two late. They may miss out on highly demanded classes, but will still be able to get into the majority of the courses they had planned on, according to Patty Bond from the Office of the Registrar.

Problems usually tend to arise for those with a later registration date, in which case it's important to go online immediately at the specific time and date. This will prevent students from being closed out of classes they want or need to take, Bond said.

The problem of being closed out of classes is a well-known feeling for many from freshmen and sophomore years. Some majors also have it harder than others. Business classes are usually the harder classes to get into because they fill up so quickly, Bond said.

If this problem does present itself, it's important to talk to the head of the department for that specific class. Sometimes students can easily get into a class once they talk to the head because changes in the course may have occurred, including students dropping out of the class or teachers having opened up extra seats. Students dropping classes after registration often do so relatively early, so continuously checking back on the registration Web site is advised. But there are those times when there isn't much one can do except wait until the next semester, Bond said.

While there aren't any new classes being offered this upcoming semester, the registrar Web

site or the Bulletin, [www.bulletin.udayton.edu](http://www.bulletin.udayton.edu), gives access to information about classes that may be interesting.

When figuring out classes to take and times to take them, all students need to do is open up and log in to the registration's Web site, [www.registration.udayton.edu](http://www.registration.udayton.edu), and figure out the name and number of the class. Then they should be able to find out what days and times that class is offered.

More specific information on certain classes can usually be answered specifically by each department.

If students have any questions about which classes they may need to take or how many credit hours they need, the registrar Web site, [www.registrar.udayton.edu](http://www.registrar.udayton.edu), is also helpful. There is a link on the site for access to student records at anytime; which gives the information needed to figure out what classes to take.

Advisors can make sense of the advising report that often confuses students, and help lay out an easy plan to let students figure out their credits, grades and classes needed to graduate.

If students go about it the right way and are prepared to register before their date comes they should be fine, Bond said. As long as students are ready, have talked to their advisor and ensure their Internet connection is up and running, it should be a smooth and painless process.

## REGISTRATION DATES

**SENIORS: 90 hours**  
Nov. 2-5

**JUNIORS: 60 hours**  
Nov. 6-11

**SOPH: 30 hours**  
Nov. 12-17

**FIRST YEAR: < 30 hours**  
Nov. 18-23

**REGISTRATION LASTS  
FROM 8 A.M. - 4 P.M.**

# ARTSTREET GETS SPOOKY

## Residents set up haunted house for Halloween festivities

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Walk past the ArtStreet Amphitheatre, and you'll see an advertisement for a new Halloween tradition: the haunted house. But it's not a house that's haunted.

For the second year in a row, from 8 to 11 p.m. on Halloween night, the studios of ArtStreet will be home to a haunted University of Dayton created by ArtStreet residents.

"We wanted to do a hayride through the Ghetto last year, but a haunted house was more feasible," said senior decorator and ArtStreet resident Shanley O'Neil. "We decided that a haunted house would be great in the studios because they'd be easy to decorate and scary."

The studios will again include Halloween twists on campus life, as well as a "scary carnival twist," according to graduate student, advisor and self-proclaimed "person who can build pretty much anything out of cardboard" Julie Roth. Roth is part of the team that works to get ArtStreet into spook-shape.

"A lot of people didn't even recognize the building," Roth said. "We use a lot of unconventional materials to completely reinvent the rooms, hallways and even the exterior of ArtStreet."

And visitors love seeing ArtStreet in a new light.

"A lot of people said they liked to go through it because it wasn't

terrifying, more funny [and] scary," said senior decorator Kristina Frazier.

The decorators said they are excited about their project. Roth, who put her enthusiasm level at an 11 out of 10, called the house a great event and expressed joy for the venue.

"It's always great to see the ArtStreet residents being creative and sharing their creativity with the UD community," Roth said.

Roth's dedication to the project earned the admiration of her colleagues.

"Julie is the glue that binds us together," said O'Neil. "She does all the communication between planners, decorators and

performers and makes sure that everyone is doing the right thing and staying on track. The haunted house would be impossible without Julie Roth."

Although O'Neil, Frazier and their roommates and fellow decorators Jamie Eastman and Bree Quinn are seniors, none of the four said they are worried about the haunted house's future.

"The ambitious residents of ArtStreet will be putting it on next year," Quinn said.

The haunted studios are open to visitors of all ages, although children may not understand the college humor. Donations will be accepted, but are not required for admittance.



ArtStreet residents spent a lot of time preparing for the haunted house they will be hosting. They are also including a scary carnival, and students have been working to perfect Art Street's Halloween scene. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR

# Crime Log

## Unlawful Entry

**Oct. 18, 4:49 p.m.**

Officer Cloyd was dispatched to a Woodland Avenue residence on the report of a theft. Three male UD students stated that sometime in the early morning on Oct. 18, a Sony Playstation 3 and a controller, a Microsoft X-Box and two controllers, an iPod, a headphone cord and several DVDs were stolen from their residence. Later, several DVDs and a Playstation controller were found on their back porch.

## Misuse of Credit Card

**Oct. 20, 5:19 p.m.**

Officer Pease was dispatched to a Frericks Way residence on the report of the misuse of a credit card. A 22-year-old male UD student stated that he noticed several unauthorized charges on his DayAir account. There were six charges to a gas station in Fountain Vallcaus, Calif. The student had not lost his card or given his card number to anyone. The student is disputing the charges with DayAir.

## Burglary

**Oct. 21, 12:10 a.m.**

Officer Cloyd was dispatched to East Stewart Street on the report of a bicycle theft in progress. He met with two UD students who stated that the suspect who stole the bike was headed toward Roesch Library. Cloyd was unable to locate the suspect. One of the students stated that her mountain bike had been secured with a lock to a fence when it was taken. The suspect was described as wearing a UNC sweatshirt.

The following incidents were reported to the Department of Public Safety from Oct. 18-21. This log was compiled by Flyer News from actual police reports obtained from the Department of Public Safety.



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Professor Yang Zhi Lin, artist and designer from Nanjing, China, speaks to students and faculty about contemporary art in China Tuesday night at the Rike Center. LEAH WINNIKE/ASSISTANT PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

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## VOTING ON AREA ELECTIONS TUESDAY, NOV. 3, STUDENTS CAN AFFECT DAYTON'S FUTURE

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Tuesday, Nov. 3 is election day in the state of Ohio from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Sure, these ballots may not get national attention or be written about in history books like last year's elections, but that doesn't mean they're not important.

The local aspect of this ballot means it can affect UD students and faculty more closely and personally than the presidential ones of 2008.

Students registered in Montgomery County can vote at South Park United Methodist Church, 140 Stonemill Rd., and get their say in what happens to their city.

Some of the major issues include:

## MAYORAL/CITY COUNCIL

Incumbent Mayor Rhine McLin is opposed by Gary Leitzell, the chair of the Southeast Priority Board.

Two incumbents, Joey Williams and Nan Whaley, and third candidate David Esrati are vying for the two seats on the Dayton City Commission.

Voting on these candidates is crucial for students to make an impact on the city they live in and have a voice in local legislature.

"Obviously students (even if not here long term) have to live within the city and are subject to municipal laws and policies that impact life here," said Dr. Grant Neeley, associate professor of political science and director of the MPA program.



Mayoral debate between Leitzell and McLin (above) CONTRIBUTED BY DAYTON DAILY NEWS  
Five Rivers MetroParks provides a home for wildlife as well as multiple types of recreation (below) CONTRIBUTED BY FIVE RIVERS METROPARKS



## FIVE RIVERS METROPARKS

## ISSUE 4

This park system takes care of nearly 15,000 acres of land for area residents, including UD students. This vote accounts for 80 percent of the MetroParks' funding for the next four years.

These parks, many of which are less than five minutes from UD, provide avenues for outdoor recreation, relaxation, wildlife viewing, kayaking and Riverscape iceskating during the holiday season.

Without this funding these parks may be closed to the public.

"MetroParks offers a great deal of outdoor activities that students can use for little or no cost," Neeley said.

## OTHER STUDENT-RELATED

## ISSUES

Issue 2 is about creating an Ohio Livestock Care Standards Board to regulate the treatment of livestock and poultry in Ohio's farms. A yes vote is in favor, a no vote is against it.

Issue 3 proposes putting a casino in Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Toledo. A yes vote is in favor and a no vote is against building casinos, according to [daytondailynews.com](http://daytondailynews.com).

A form of identification is necessary to vote in the Nov. 3 ballots.

Tuesday's forecast is sunny, so not only will a walk down Stonemill to vote be pleasant, it will allow you to make your mark on Dayton.

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**NCR**

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gia with little incentive to do what is in the community's best interest," he said.

There are some positive impacts for purchasing the building because it is useful not to have a large empty office building sitting on the commercial real estate market, Stock said.

"It is a drag on rents for all other such enterprises," he said. "Also the retail, restaurant and service environment is built with the assumption

of so many people in that building. Therefore it is helpful to the extent that new people are coming in [as opposed to just being relocated from campus]."

One idea of interest to Husted is working with UDRI and local private and public sector officials to develop an entrepreneur/technology incubator.

"This focus would lend itself to the development of business and products that are based on technologies that have growth opportunities based in the future not the past," Husted said.

Many possibilities are present for UD in terms of consolidation according to Stock.

"It is useful when bidding on new contracts to show that you have the space resources required," he said.

"Possibilities for UD are great as the property can be developed with uses that support the mission and vision of the university," Husted said.

Although these new possibilities have advantages, resources to invest in the development of the property will serve as a primary obstacle, he said.

"However, this can be overcome

by seeking out other private and public sector partners that share a common vision," he said. "In the end, the obstacle of resources will require the university to develop new partners and better relationships that will benefit UD and the region's economy."

For UDRI, this new endeavor has many opportunities for expanding its research and advancing the university as well as leading to more of UD's acknowledgment throughout the region.

"Collaboration is always easier in physical proximity," Stock said.

"There may be some opportunities for collaboration as teams that have been at separate locations come together."

"Anytime a university's research can be transferred to real world uses in the private or public sector it leads to more recognition, resources and prestige, and as a result it attracts students, helps educate them and serves to improve the quality of life in its community and the world," Husted said. "I see it as the right decision at a time when nobody else is better positioned to lead than UD."

**CALENDAR**

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hour schedule.

"Nearly all of our co-operative education students attend school in the summer semester at least once," said Kevin Hallinan, mechanical and aerospace engineering chair. "Students will not be able to complete a full semester during the summer. We would expect that student interest in summer school might be reduced."

It is also uncertain whether or not students who live on campus during a portion of the winter break would be able to do so. These students include spring co-op students, as well

as student athletes who often have athletic events they are required to be on campus for the first week of January.

Effects may hit students in the summer as well, whether or not enrolled in courses at UD.

"I would love being able to spend more time with my family over the holidays," sophomore Meggie Holland said. "But last summer I had first dibs on summer jobs, and I worry whether or not that would be the case with the new calendar."

Saliba believes that the calendar change may not be so bad after all and has potential to positively affect sustainability. Since heating costs

in the winter months skyrocket for the university, there is a possibility that a longer winter recess would decrease the money the university spends on heating.

"We would like to be more sustainable but that's not the main reason," Saliba said.

Westendorf also agrees that being more economical with spending costs is not a primary motive.

"The university doesn't need a change in its academic calendar to be more sustainable," he said.

The calendar changes are not official, but Saliba expects by late November that the provost council will make a definite decision.



Senior Mike Hart adjusts his thermostat as weather starts getting chillier on campus. One outcome of this proposed calendar with less time on campus over the winter would be less energy and money spent on heating. MIKE MALLOY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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# THE SKY IS THE LIMIT





# GET FLYERED UP

## Dayton basketball is here, ready to get back to NCAA

**NATE WAGGENSPACK**

Sports Editor

It is time.

The anticipation and excitement built up throughout the fall can only be stymied partially by volleyball, soccer and football. UD basketball is king on campus, and it is finally ready to start the 2009-2010 season.

This year's team has more excitement surrounding it than any other in recent memory. Coming off a strong 27-8 performance last season including a first-round win over West Virginia in the NCAA Tournament, the Flyers return everyone from last year's team except for Charles Little and Stephen Thomas.

With such a successful season nationally, the expectations are as high as they have been in a long time for this year's squad. The Flyers were picked by a panel of Atlantic 10 coaches and writers to win the A-10 this season. They also have been popping up in various preseason Top 25 lists around the nation. Even with all the hype, the team has stayed grounded and continued to work in the offseason.

"We challenged [the team] immediately after losing to Kansas. The next step for this program is for the guys to take great responsibility in their development as a player," head coach Brian Gregory

said. "The guys have done an unbelievable job during the summer and now during the fall and the most important thing is that we keep sticking to the things that have got us successful to this point."

One aspect of the game that made UD successful last season was a fast-paced style of play featuring a constant high tempo, plenty of substitutions to keep players' legs fresh and tough defense. Flyers opponents averaged just 61.4 points per game last season.

Gregory believes the pace of the game will continue to be important in 2010. "I felt one of the things that really set us apart was the pace we played at," he said. "That high intensity pace was what gave us the best opportunity to be successful. That has to continue, I think we can get even better at that."

UD returns four of five starters and 11 of its top 12 scorers from last season. That means the Flyers seem to have every piece to the puzzle. One thing they will definitely not be short on is leadership. The team boasts seven seniors—Kurt Huelsman, Marcus Johnson (A-10 Honorable Mention), London Warren, Rob Lowery, Mickey Perry, Dan Fox and Luke Kendrick. With juniors Chris Wright (Second Team All A-10) and Devin Searcy having played significant minutes in each of their first two seasons, the Flyers will bring a wealth of experience to every

figuring to play important roles are the sophomores: Luke Fabrizio, Chris Johnson and Paul Williams. Gregory believes that these players in particular are important for the Flyers' success.

"One thing you look for is freshman to make a big jump between their freshmen and sophomore year, in particular in the areas that are most difficult in that transition from high school to college," Gregory said. "The challenge for all players is no matter what year you were last year, you have to become a better player."

Chris Johnson, an A-10 All Rookie team selection, averaged 6.3 points and 5.2 rebounds per game last year, and he is ready to transition into an even better season as a sophomore.

"I feel that we will be better than last year," he said. "We know we just push each other to get better each day."

Rounding out the players who figure to contribute big minutes this season are two new faces. Redshirt freshman Josh Benson and freshman Matt Kavanaugh will bring more size and athleticism to a

team that is not short on either.

With the two newcomers on the roster, the Flyers look like a team without many holes. If the team's three point shooting improves (32.8 percent in 2009), Dayton's offense will give opponents nightmares all year long.

With all the talent coming back and being a preseason favorite in the conference, the Flyers will have a target on their backs all season, and they will not be overlooked by bigger opponents. Appearing in some preseason polls is an honor for the Flyers, but they plan on staying grounded.

"For the program it's tremendous," Gregory said. "The rankings are nice, nice to see your name on the Web sites and all those different things, but the rankings, as I said last year, won't make one basket for you. More importantly for us, those rankings don't get you in the defensive stance. You have to go out there and prove it."

Marcus Johnson echoes his coach's sentiments.

"Yeah, you do [appreciate being ranked]," he said. "But then again, that's not going to get us a stop on D or get us another basket."

The Flyers boast a schedule with some good games in the nonconference. They open the regular season at home against Creighton from the Missouri Valley Conference. Last year the Blue Jays drummed the Flyers 77-59 at Creighton. UD will be looking for revenge from a game that they never really had a chance to win.

Next UD heads to Puerto Rico for the Puerto Rico Tip-Off. They have three guaranteed games, the first of which will be against Georgia Tech from the Atlantic Coast Conference. Other possible opponents are Boston University, George Mason, Indiana, Kansas State, Ole Miss and Villanova.

Other potential good non-conference games include Dayton playing at Miami of Ohio on Dec. 2 and at George Mason Dec. 8.

In conference play, Xavier and Richmond figure to be the Flyers' biggest contenders for the regular season crown. UD split two games with Xavier last season and beat Richmond twice, once at UD Arena and once at the Atlantic 10 Tournament.

One thing will be on the Flyers' minds all season long: getting back to the NCAA Tournament. After a successful bout in the tournament last March, the team now knows what they want.

"[Losing in the tournament] was bad because I don't think we ended on a good note, the way we wanted to, but also it gave us a taste of things we wanted and what we need to accomplish this year," Huelsman said.

Gregory has been through the tournament before as an assistant coach at Michigan State, and he is ready to make a run with Dayton as a head coach.

"When you have that type of success and then you win [the first round game], you get a taste of what it's like," he said. "There is

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# The sky is the limit for loaded squad as 09-10 season tips off

**JACOB ROSEN**

Chief Sports Writer

The season of destiny is finally upon us. After teasing us with a second-round appearance in the NCAA Tournament last season, the 2009-2010 version of the Flyers basketball team is set to be the best in recent memory.

Losing just one senior from that 27-win season a year ago along with adding in three pieces from the tournament victory over West Virginia, it is impossible to consider this team any worse off than a year ago. Already dubbed the pre-season favorite in the Atlantic-10 Conference, expectations will be high and do not be surprised if Dayton manages their way into the national pre-season rankings.

Last season was just the appetizer for fans of the revamped program under Coach Brian Gregory. It was the first tournament appearance in five years and the most wins by a Dayton men's basketball team since Tom Blackburn was the coach in the 1950s. For those new to the Flyers experience, that just happens to be the man for whom the court at UD Arena is named after.

As a fan, it was difficult to temper expectations throughout last season's run to the second round. Charles Little was an exemplary starter who had battled alongside many Dayton stars, but standing only 6'6" he was not the bruising force the team needed on the inside to combat opposing big men. This

year, the team adds redshirt Josh Benson (6'9" from nearby Dunbar High School) and true freshman Matt Kavanaugh (6'9" from Centerville) to the frontcourt.

Think that will help the team beat the Xavier's, Kansas's and Pittsburgh's of the world this season? No doubt about it, as it will help to lessen the overall load for stud NBA prospect Chris Wright. Playing alongside Little last season, Wright was expected to be the top rebounder and top offensive weapon for the team night in and night out.

Sure his athleticism paid through in a handful of games such as the upset over the Mountaineers, but overall it was not the greatest follow-up to his scintillating freshman year. Throwing Benson and Kavanaugh to the fold, along with returning big men Kurt Huelsman and Devin Searcy, and now the Flyers have one of the most physical frontcourts among all the mid-majors in the country.

With those four bruising forwards all standing taller than 6'9" playing serious minutes, it will enable Wright to sneak into the scene much like he did during his freshman campaign. He will be able to use his high-flying athleticism to create opportunities for himself and others offensively while also matching up with a size advantage against most small forwards in the conference.

Looking down at the backcourt then, everything remains the same from a year ago. Seniors London Warren and Marcus Johnson will be the starters game

with even more expectations this year, but the main storyline will be the improvement of the bench players. A summer of seasoning did wonders for Paul Williams and Chris Johnson, giving Dayton more weapons than ever before.

Coming off the bench last season, Rob Lowery always proved to make some of the most exciting plays in the entire game. A devastating knee injury cut his season short, but he is back in practice and should be ready to go for the season-opener. When Warren and Lowery were splitting minutes at the point guard slot, or even on the court at the same time, Dayton took on a different identity and was very difficult to defend by teams with only one natural distributor.

Things are looking good for a return to glory of the Flyers basketball program, but in the end the legacy of this team will rely upon their post-season performance and play against Xavier. Making the second round and splitting the season-series with the Musketeers a year ago made it a successful year overall, but expectations are extremely high and that should only be the bare minimum of goals for this year's team.

The season tips off in just over two weeks so get excited for a season of success that will keep you on the edge of your seat.



Matt Kavanaugh and Devin Searcy tip off in the red vs. blue scrimmage. RYAN KOZELKA/  
MANAGING EDITOR

## Team unchanged by preseason national attention; still focused

**BRENDAN HADER**

Staff Writer

While this season is one of the most highly anticipated seasons for Dayton men's basketball, the team's mentality has not changed.

Players remain calm and focused about what they need to accomplish this season. They are treating this year like any other.

"We have to work hard and keep working hard," senior Rob Lowery said. "We can't take one team for granted, not one. Any team is capable of beating another team on any given night, so we have to get it done each game."

Lowery is not alone with that mindset. All the players have emphasized the importance of not overlooking any opponent,

especially in a conference like the Atlantic 10 where teams have a knack for surprising the top teams in the conference.

"We need to have a championship mentality as a unit and have to be clicking and on the same page at all times," redshirt freshman Josh Benson said. "As long as we do that and stay focused on what we need to do as a team, we'll be alright."

Head coach Brian Gregory has obviously gotten through to the Flyers. This season is about staying focused and staying hungry, themes which the team has discussed at length.

Gregory spent the off season drilling another theme home to his team, one that is important to both on and off court success.

"Coach Gregory's big theme this off season was ownership," Benson said. "We are in control of what we do and we have to build on that and do whatever it takes to win games."

With a great buzz spreading for this team, a tournament in Puerto Rico and a matchup with conference foe Fordham at famed Madison Square Garden, distractions are everywhere for the Flyers. Players were asked about playing in Puerto Rico and MSG, and while they admitted it will be exciting, they quickly countered by expressing the importance of every game on the schedule.

"Playing in one of the most historic gyms will give any player chills going in there, but again,

it's a long way away until we play there so we need to take advantage of the opportunities that are immediately in front of us," senior Mickey Perry said.

UD enters the season as the favorite in the Atlantic 10, an unfamiliar feeling. In a conference where rival Xavier has reigned supreme as of late, as well as Temple, this is a new situation for everyone, including the seven seniors.

"It's an opportunity for us to be on the other end of the spectrum," Perry said. "A lot of times we were hunting other people and I guess now we're the so-called hunted, but again it just comes back to staying hungry and understanding that we still have to play basketball, have fun and take

advantage of the opportunities in front of us."

For any team that has a season with lofty expectations, it can be easy for players to get uptight and struggle to relax. Relaxing doesn't seem to be a problem with this group, however. Whether it's Christ Wright singing, "I'll Be There" a cappella or Rob Lowery doing his best Michael Jackson impersonation by bellowing out "The Way You Make Me Feel," this Flyers team can stay loose.

"Singing goes on in the locker room between me, Chris, Rob and some other people and we'll get into some rock 'n roll and start singing," Benson said. "I don't really think there's a best, we're all evenly matched ... or evenly bad."



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Sr. | 6'0"



2.4 Assist to turnover.  
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# 34 DEVON SEARCY

Sr. | 6'10"

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Sr. | 6'3"



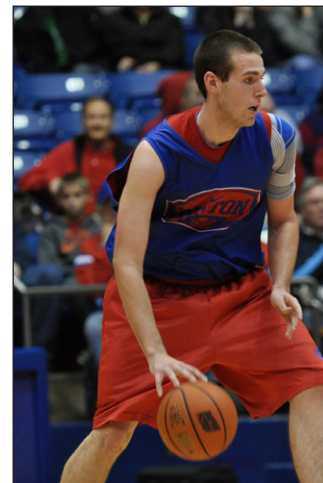
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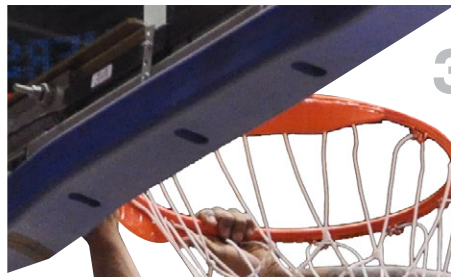
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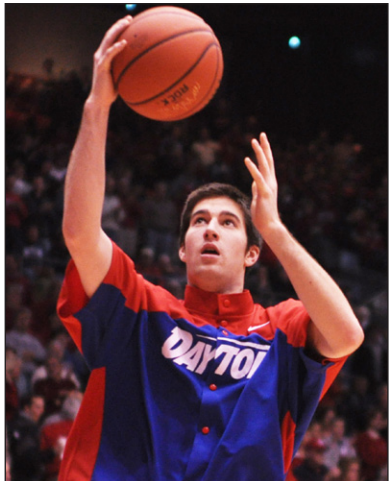


**32 MARCUS JOHNSON**  
Sr. | 6'3"

Scored in double figures 26  
time last season.  
All A10 honorable mention.



**MS**  
6'9"



**24 LUKE HENDRICK**  
Sr. | 6'4"



**44 JOSH BENSON**  
RS Fr. | 6'9"



**41 KURT HUELSMAN**  
Sr. | 6'10"

Started every game of  
last season.



**33 CHRIS WRIGHT**  
Sr. | 6'3"

Led UD in scoring last season.  
2nd Team All A10.





# WITH SUPPORT OF TEAM, LOWERY'S DIFFICULT ROAD NEARING AN END

**JOHN BEDELL**

Assistant Sports Editor

For the vast majority of Flyer fanatics, Wednesday, Feb., 11 2009, was a day filled with elation. The men's basketball team beat Xavier 71-58 at a raucous UD Arena. The win was one of the team's biggest last season and was Dayton's first win over the Musketeers since the 2005-06 season.

But for senior guard Rob Lowery, that date marked the beginning of what he says is the toughest thing he's ever had to do. Lowery tore the patellar tendon in his right knee midway through the first half of the game. The injury ended his season.

"When it first happened I thought my knee dislocated," Lowery said. "I don't know what happened during the play but I felt the sting and I looked at [my knee] and my knee cap was in my thigh so I knew something was wrong."

Lowery cradled his knee for several minutes on the floor and at first the training staff told him his knee was dislocated to calm his nerves. However, when the team's medical staff took Lowery into the training room, he was given the true diagnosis.

"Then they told me that I tore my patellar tendon and that I was out for the season," Lowery said. "As soon as I heard, 'you tore ...' I went crazy. I pushed the doctor away, and I started throwing stuff. I just lost it. Then I started crying. I hadn't cried in so long. It felt crazy to cry, but I was sick."

Lowery said that the support of his teammates was crucial to him after the injury.

"Without them, I wouldn't have worked hard to get back," Lowery said. "Without them, I wouldn't have made it."

Men's basketball head coach Brian Gregory couldn't agree more. "This is a very tight knit group and guys really look out for each other," Gregory said. "They'll go out of their way to make sure Rob's doing ok. But he's also not a guy that guys feel sorry for or anything like that because I think the guys still demand out of him to be a leader for this team even when he's not playing."

Gregory also said that it was difficult for him to watch Lowery sit out last year.

"It was hard," Gregory said. "Rob has a heart and a passion not only for the game of basketball, but for UD. He really loves this place and I think he realizes that this place has changed him for the better. He's got a greater emphasis on growing up and getting his degree. And in terms of basketball, he's getting a chance to play in front of crowds that he never even thought would happen. For lack of a better word, it's been a dream come true, and it's tough when that's taken away."

It was just as testing for Lowery to sit out.

"It was the toughest thing I've ever had to do," Lowery said. "Knowing that basketball had gotten me to UD and into school and to not be able to play ball anymore, it hurt me, man, it really did."

There have been some positives that Gregory says Lowery has taken from the process though.

"I think he understands how important every single possession is," Gregory said. "I think he understands that this is a fleeting moment and that you better appreciate it and you better take full advantage of it."

Lowery said that he's grown as a player since the injury.

"I learned not to take stuff for granted," Lowery said. "It can be over in one play. I was doing well, and one play took me away."

Although Lowery said his knee is at about 85 percent strength, he has been cleared by the team's medical staff to participate in non-contact drills.

"It's been great (to have him back)," Gregory said. "Our defensive system has been altered because of him and London Warren. They've changed the way this program is perceived and how we play. And he's a bundle of energy, there's no doubt about that."

Lowery is just as happy to be back.

"It's important to me," Lowery said. "I think I bring a lot to the table. And so does everyone else on this team. I think without one of us, we're really going to struggle. We need everybody to get it done."

Rob Lowry, who tore his petalla tendon during last season's home game against Xavier, is expected to return in January.  
RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGIN EDITOR



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ONLINE POLL RESULTS Who is your favorite UD mens basketball player?

Chris Wright 46 votes      Luke Fabrizius 17 votes  
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ROSTER BOASTS DYNAMIC PUNCH

DANNY VOHDEN  
Senior Sports Writer

If the Flyers had to pick a flaw of last year's 27-8 team, lack of depth in the post would probably be a good place to start—just ask Kansas and Cole Aldrich.

However, it appears that this year's team will count on its big men to be a strength for the team despite the loss of Charles Little to graduation.

This year the Flyers welcome true freshman Matt Kavanaugh and redshirt freshman Josh Benson to an already extremely deep team.

For Kavanaugh, the 6'9", 250 pound Centerville product, this season has been a long time coming. After committing his junior year of high school, Kavanaugh has been anxious to run out onto Blackburn Court.

"It's been two years now, and finally getting here and wearing the Dayton jersey feels cool,"

Kavanaugh said. "It's good committing that early to get the pressure of recruiting off your chest, but it makes the wait that much longer."

For Benson, the wait has been long but for different reasons.

After being named an ESPN top 150 recruit for the 2008 class, Benson suffered a serious shoulder injury which forced him to have surgery and sit out his entire freshman season.

"Yeah, I got hurt, but people had the right everything set out for me. The right trainers got me on my rehab and it was pretty much just a blessing in disguise," Benson said. "Sometimes you have to jump back to take two steps forward."

Dayton will rely on the tandem of Benson and Kavanaugh to replace Little, UD's third leading scorer from a year ago. Add in junior Devin Searcy and senior Kurt Huelsman, and the Flyers have a pretty formidable front court.

"Charles was definitely a big key for the rebounding side of the game, but Devin, Josh and I are all capable of filling that role," Kavanaugh said.

Head coach Brian Gregory seems to have full confidence in his freshman duo.

"Before it's all said and done those guys will have had really solid careers," Gregory said. "I think they bring a lot to the table for us and down the road could be a pretty dynamic inside punch and outside threat."

With the addition of Kavanaugh and Benson to an already very deep team, the Flyers are looking for big things out of this year. For Benson, the goals are pretty simple.

"Championship mentality," he said. "That's been our focus, we're trying to get a ring this year. We're tired of being second place, so it's time to get it going."



Matt Kavanaugh attempts to block big man Kurt Huelsman during Saturday's red vs. blue scrimmage. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR

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TUESDAY Nov. 3	FERRIS STATE (EXH.)	7 PM ET
MONDAY Nov. 9	N. KENTUCKY (EXH.)	7 PM ET
<b>SATURDAY Nov. 14</b>	<b>CREIGHTON</b>	<b>1 PM ET</b>
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<b>THURSDAY Nov. 19</b>	<b>vs. GEORGIA TECH</b>	<b>11:30 AM ET</b>
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SUNDAY Nov. 22	TBD	TBD
SATURDAY Nov. 28	TOWSON	2 PM ET
WEDNESDAY DEC. 2	@ MIAMI OHIO	7 PM ET
SATURDAY DEC. 5	LEHIGH	TBA
<b>TUESDAY DEC. 8</b>	<b>@ GEORGE MASON</b>	<b>7 PM ET</b>
FRIDAY DEC. 11	OLD DOMINION	7 PM ET
SATURDAY DEC. 19	PRESBYTERIAN	8 PM ET
MONDAY DEC. 21	APPALACHIAN STATE %	8 PM ET
TUESDAY DEC. 29	BOSTON	7 PM ET
<b>FRIDAY JAN. 1</b>	<b>@ NEW MEXICO</b>	<b>9 PM ET</b>
TUESDAY JAN. 5	BALL STATE %	8 PM ET
SATURDAY JAN. 9	DUQUESNE *	2 PM ET
WEDNESDAY JAN. 13	@ FORDHAM *	9:15 PM ET
<b>SATURDAY JAN. 16</b>	<b>@ XAVIER *</b>	<b>11 AM ET</b>
WEDNESDAY JAN. 20	GEORGE WASHINGTON *	7 PM ET
<b>SATURDAY JAN. 23</b>	<b>@ SAINT JOSEPH's *</b>	<b>6 PM ET</b>
TUESDAY JAN. 26	RHODE ISLAND *	7 PM ET
SATURDAY JAN. 30	@ ST. BONAVENTURE *	7 PM ET
<b>SATURDAY FEB. 6</b>	<b>XAVIER *</b>	<b>12 PM ET</b>
WEDNESDAY FEB.10	CHARLOTTE *	7 PM ET
SATURDAY FEB.13	@ SAINT LOUIS *	4 PM ET
THURSDAY FEB.18	LA SALLE *	7 PM ET
SUNDAY FEB. 21	@ DUQUESNE *	1 PM ET
WEDNESDAY FEB. 24	@ TEMPLE *	7 PM ET
SATURDAY FEB. 27	MASSACHUSETTS *	7 PM ET
<b>THURSDAY MAR. 4</b>	<b>@ RICHMOND *</b>	<b>7 PM ET</b>
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ATLANTIC 10 A MISGUIDEDLY DISRESPECTED CONFERENCE

JOHN BEDELL  
Assistant Sports Editor

I'd say it's a fair assessment that most men's basketball fans on campus understand and appreciate the history and tradition of UD basketball.

But I don't think that fans at UD or members of the national media that cover men's basketball necessarily understand or respect the conference that the Flyers belong to. The tradition of many of the basketball programs within the Atlantic 10 Conference, the quality of coaching and the conference's collective success are just a few reasons why we as UD fans should feel lucky to be a part of one of the strongest non-Bowl Championship Series conferences in college basketball.

Dayton Head Coach Brian Gregory has long been a strong proponent of the A-10 and the strength of the conference. I sat down with him last week to get his input as a coach that knows the conference as well as anyone.

"You look at it and last year [the A-10] had three teams go to the NCAA Tournament," Gregory said. "The year before that there was three. And both those years we had multiple teams in the NIT or other postseason tournaments."

According to the conference's Web site, the 2008-2009 season

marked the 15th time in Conference history and the sixth since 2000 that multiple A-10 teams earned at-large berths to the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. The conference also received two of just four at-large bids awarded to non-BCS conferences last season and over the past two seasons, the A-10 leads all non-BCS conferences with six NCAA berths.

Gregory said that he feels there are a couple points of differentiation that the conference boasts that go unnoticed.

"One, the quality of players that are in this league," Gregory said. "Every team in this league has four or five guys that were recruited by BCS schools. The second thing is that every coach has either been established at their program or has had great success that has led them to get this job."

Coaching perhaps is the most glaring strength of the Atlantic 10. The conference has two hall of fame coaches in Rick Majerus of St. Louis and Phil Martelli of St. Joe's.

"Phil has made a huge impact on the game not only as a coach but as an ambassador for college basketball," Gregory said. "You go down the list of the other coaches with Jim Baron [Rhode Island] with his great success. And if you're young and you're a coach

in this league, you got a pretty good pedigree coming in. It's not as though you're going to win games because you're outcoaching someone. Believe me, that's not going to happen."

Gregory further cited the individual talent level in the conference as a strong point.

"We have more national players of the year than a lot of conferences. Marcus Camby (UMass), Jameer Nelson (St. Joe's) and David West (Xavier). We've had three in the last 12 years," Gregory said. "That's more than the Big Ten and more than the Pac-10. Sometimes it's disheartening that the league doesn't get the credit that it deserves."

Perhaps most importantly, every school in the conference hangs its hat on its men's basketball team. Since basketball is the most important sport, that is the focal point of every school's recruiting, resulting in some great talent.

"Every one of our schools — their athletic tradition has been based on their success in men's basketball," Gregory said. "So every single one is a basketball school, so to speak. With the Conference's success against the BCS and in the tournament, outside the BCS there's no comparison to any other league — it's not even close."

Entire roster key to team's success, getting better every day, junior walk-on knows his role

ALEX BAUSCH  
Staff Writer

A key to any championship team is that each player understands his role.

Depending on the talent level, some may be all-American or all-conference players. But some players have roles the average fan doesn't get to see.

Take, for example, the practice players. At the Division I level, these practice players are usually walk-ons (athletes who were neither recruited to a school nor received a scholarship). Most of these walk-ons are good athletes.

At UD, one of these important players is Peter Zestermann. Zestermann, who played his high school ball on the Ohio Division I state runners-up, St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati, both understands and enjoys his role.

"It feels good coming to practice every day knowing that I have to help the people that actually play get better," Zestermann said. "More importantly help the starters get better and I take that as a serious role as something that I have to do."

Zestermann, a junior forward/center, averaged 7.9 points, 6.4 rebounds and 2.8 assists his senior year in high school. He then joined the UD basketball program as a

walk-on in October 2007, but then he took the year off.

"I took the year off because I had been playing basketball my whole life. I wasn't sure what I wanted to do," he said.

During the time off Zestermann realized how much he missed the game and more importantly, the University of Dayton team.

"I decided to come back because all of the guys are good guys," he said. "I also missed the game, and I wanted to be part of the team again."

Zestermann thinks that the key to the Flyers team this year will be defense, something that they work on daily in practice. As a practice player, Zestermann is on offense when the starters are working on their defense.

"I always think defense will be the most important part of our team," he said. "I think both our offense and our defense will be better than last year due to another year of team chemistry and great off-season workouts."

One of the things that Zestermann is most looking forward to this season is when the Flyers take on Fordham at Madison Square Garden.

"I'm excited to play at Madison Square Garden where all of the legends have played before," he said.



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# COSTUMES, CONTESTS, CUISINE

## Oregon District hosts Dayton's largest Halloween bash of year

VINCE ZIOLS  
Chief A&E Writer

Costumes, contests, a craft beer and wine garden, food, bands and wrestling matches are all treats at this year's Hauntfest on Fifth Street in the Oregon District.

The new organizer Joe Waizmann has been lining up stages, food vendors, volunteers and entertainment for the district's biggest event of the year held on Halloween night.

"We're expecting 9,000 or even 12,000 people this year," he said.

New this year is an 18-by-18 foot semipro wrestling ring in which both males and females will have the opportunity to wrestle in themed costumes, such as Little Red Riding Hood and the big bad wolf, Waizmann said.

According to Dave Obenour, Hauntfest's publicity representative, after the \$5 entrance fee, there is no cover at most of the Oregon District's bars.

There will be no cover charge at Blind Bob's, The Dublin Pub, Le Monde, Ned Pepper's, Newcom's Tavern, Oregon Express, Pacchia and The Trolley Stop, according to OregonArtsDistrict.com.

"They even close down Fifth Street so people can walk around



Participants at a past Hauntfest celebration dressed as Super Mario Bros.' characters. In addition to a costume contest, this year's event will include a craft beer and wine garden, wrestling matches, live bands and more. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY DAVE OBENOUR

not worrying about getting hit," Obenour said.

Costume contests will begin at 8:30 p.m. when the Budweiser

Girls will go through the crowds and pick out costumes to put into three categories: scariest, funniest and most creative.

Winners will receive a \$300 prize.

Local bands The Story Changes and Skillless Villains will also provide entertainment

at Hauntfest through live performances.

The volunteers working the night's event are from a number of nonprofit organizations. These groups include the Northmont ROTC, Dayton Boys Choir and the Dayton Area Rugby Club. Part of the entrance fees will be given to these organizations for their help setting up, working and tearing down Hauntfest.

Make your way over to the Oregon District tomorrow for an All Hallows Eve night filled with all of this spooky entertainment.

Tickets can be purchased in advance throughout the district.

"If anything, it's one of the best nights [for] some cool people watching," Obenour said.

### how to go

**WHAT** Hauntfest

**WHEN** 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
Saturday

**WHERE** Oregon district

**COST** \$5

**INFO** (440) 225-6769

# 'Citizens' Exhibit Shares Abroad Experiences

## Photography of study abroad students represents 19 countries across the world

SARA DORN  
Assistant A&E Writer

Heather Petrie, junior engineer major, said that her favorite part of studying abroad in Italy was taking an overnight train to Sicily.

"My roommate Beth and I awoke to find that our entire train had been loaded onto a ferry and was halfway between the Italian mainland and Sicily."

Petrie is one of many students to have participated in UD's study abroad program that will display their experiences in the Citizens of the World photography exhibit at ArtStreet studio D.

The Piazzale Michelangelo in Florence has a beautiful view of the city, and Petrie's photograph of it expresses her feelings toward her trip to Italy.

"Some friends and I climbed the steep path up to the piazza just in time to see the sunset wash the city of Florence in brilliant gold," she said. "It was by far the most gorgeous sunset I have ever seen."

The Citizens of the World photography exhibit began in 2006 when two students, Sarah Bracht and Bryan Campione, created a way for UD students to share their international experiences with the entire campus community.

"They envisioned a photography exhibit that showed students' observations of new places and cultural practices, like international dance demonstration and performances, opportunities to share food, drink and music from around the world, and screenings of films that depict life in diverse cultural settings,"

said Tricia Barger, Center for International Programs International communication coordinator.

The photographs displayed in the exhibit come from students, staff and faculty. Most are from the past year but pictures from all years are welcome.

"We have a current exchange student from France who submitted a photo from his travels in Tunisia, and one of his photos will be displayed as part of the exhibit," Barger said. "We also have a faculty member's photo in the exhibit from her time teaching as part of a study abroad program."

Pictures in the exhibit come from all parts of the world. Out of 250 pictures submitted, 30 pictures covering 19 areas varying

from Greece to South Korea and Bangladesh to Uganda.

"I am excited that I have this opportunity to share this little moment of my trip with the rest of UD, and I can't wait to see the other 29 moments that will be on

display," Petrie said.

The exhibit will have an opening reception 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and will run through Nov. 23. Students, faculty and staff are all encouraged to visit the exhibit.



As the sun sets over Florence, Steve Nathaniel takes in the beauty of his study abroad experience. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY HEATHER PETRIE



# forum

“It’s not love that means never having to say you’re sorry, it’s the First Amendment.”

Editorial, *The Times-Picayune*, New Orleans, 1997

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## NEW CALENDAR:

Extending Christmas break harmful to students’ success

UD is currently exploring editing the academic calendar for next year, which will result in a two week extension of Christmas break and ending the school year two weeks into May.

While several other universities have a three, four or even five week winter break, UD’s two-week break can be quick and seem rushed. But is it worth extending break?

Unlike other schools, UD gets breaks throughout the semester due to our Catholic holidays. Instead of just a week off for Spring break, we get an additional three days off for Easter recess. We also receive other days off throughout the semester, including one for Stander Symposium. While this day isn’t a “day off” for some students, most take advantage of it as just that.

So although Christmas break may seem a bit rushed, we get other breaks throughout the semester that give students a chance to go home and reduce stress.

However, it’s difficult for students in various majors to graduate in four years. To fulfill graduation requirements and graduate on time, many students have to enroll in summer school courses to get caught up or get ahead. With the proposed calendar amendments, students won’t be able to complete a full 15-credit course load, but instead only 12, according to the article on calendar amendments in this edition of *Flyer News*. If students are no longer able to be full-time students during the summer, we are only prolonging their graduation date.

In addition, co-ops and internships are vital in today’s job market. By extending the academic school year by two weeks and reducing summer vacation by those two weeks, UD is putting students in a situation where it will be more difficult to obtain those internships and co-ops. It takes away the advantage of having two extra weeks to look for jobs before students at other schools get home for summer.

Teachers may have a little more time to prepare for next semester, and UD is one step closer to getting to its over-arching goal of being sustainable, but what about students and setting them up to be successful in the future?

## Virginity:

Media’s portrayal of casual sex comes up short but has strong influence on young adults



MAGGIE MALACH OPINIONS EDITOR

Do you know why Tina Fey was a virgin until she was 24?

Because she couldn’t give it away. This is probably shocking to most people because Fey is known as being one of America’s lead female comedians. What’s shocking to me is not the fact that it took Fey “so long” to “lose” her virginity, but rather that the age of 24 is considered to be scandalously old.

There is no magic age when a person should no longer be a virgin. It is my personal belief that it is different for everybody, and that there is no formula for when or how this should happen. Society’s standards, however, appear to be much different.

In the world we live in, virginity seems to be something taboo. If a person graduates from college still holding on to his or her precious flower, it is considered to be shocking and socially unacceptable. The loss of one’s virginity is supposedly representa-

tive of a coming of age, but those who give it away for the sake of this recognition do not seem very mature to me.

Society’s view on sex is in itself contradictory. I have numerous friends who have had sex purely to “get it over with.” This reasoning is nothing out of the ordinary for America’s youth. The conflict: we place sex on a pedestal, yet we can be so quick to hook up with people we barely know.

The media and pop culture is a huge factor in encouraging this way of thought. Movies like *American Pie* show losing one’s virginity as a race, a goal to be completed by high school graduation. The themes of this movie hit hard with its audience; the high school audience now feels the need to have sex, while those in college who have not yet had sex think there is something wrong with them.

In addition, the *Forty-Year-Old Virgin* is the paradigm of a man being criticized by his peers for still being a virgin. Steve Carell plays Andy, a man of 40 who, yes, still has not had sex with a woman. His young, hip, 20-something co-workers are horrified at the slightly geeky Andy and his sexual history. The plot unfolds as the boys try to beef up Andy’s ex-

perience through various means, including porn and prostitution.

Casual sex has never been so classy.

If 17 is (by law) too young to have sex and 24 is considered absolutely ancient, then what is this magic number that society is dictating? Do we all have a seven-year period in which we need to engage in some form of fornication or else fear condemnation?

I’m not here to tell people when they should have sex and why they should choose to do it. I do, however, encourage people to take a moment and realize that pop culture and the media all heavily influence us. Yes, it is easy for us to laugh at Jason Biggs as he plots how to get a girl in bed, or to cheer Andy on as he pursues a relationship to reach the end goal: SEX. But those are characters that do not have to live with the emotional consequences of their actions.

If you are mature enough to be having sex, than you should be mature enough to have the balls to say “no.”

Don’t let the media dictate your morals, or you’ll find yourself screwed.

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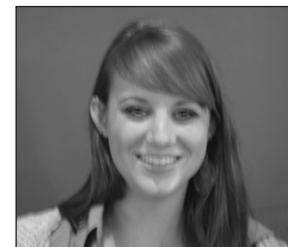
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# STUDENT REFLECTS ON PERSONAL EXPERIENCE TO WARN PEER PARTIERS

Overconsumption of alcohol is not a game, do not wait until it is too late to take action against poor personal decisions

6 a.m. Wake up, look around, fall back asleep. 9 a.m. Hear noises, consider getting up. Lift your head, get dizzy, decide the bed is too comfy. 9:30 a.m. Wait a minute, this isn't my bed. 9:45 a.m. Who is spooning me? 10 a.m. Disengage left arm from under best friend's torso. Stumble out of bed, trip over trashcan. 10:15 a.m. Locate bathroom, examine smudged make-up and pasty tongue in mirror. 10:25 a.m. "Guys, where are my pants?"

"Ah, kill me now."  
"You got housed, tossed your cookies in that guy's bathroom, and we had two firemen carry you home."

"Guys get up I want to get some greasy nasty breakfast."

"What? I did not do that. Seriously where are my pants?"

"Dude, it's college."

It's an exchange every student has had at least once—today. It's the excuse we have to dress like the bums that call the Great Miami River their home, to burn up our parents' credit cards just because half of Brown Street accepts Flyer, to turn

*Tool Academy* into a drinking game to spice up Wednesday nights, to do whatever the hell we want. It is the ultimate cop out and we will use it as often as possible for four years, particularly to explain our affinity for certain vices. But what happens when we leave?

A close friend recently told me about "coming out" to her parents about partying. She did not know what to expect since her father had a few too many nights involving a few too many during his college years, and was thus unable to consume alcohol for years afterward. My friend was lucky though. Her parents placed an incredible amount of trust in her, and they would continue to until she really messed up.

How do you know you're in trouble? I define really messing up as the time I found myself bawling my eyes out into a payphone at UDF to my parents at 2 a.m. because I misplaced my cell phone while partying and, in the process, made the realization that my cousin who died of alcoholism over the summer is, indeed, dead.

But being the wonderful daughter I am and hoping not to worry my parents, I hung up shortly thereafter and

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Seetha Sankaranarayan,  
Sophomore

attempted to find solace by flagging down a police officer because, "I just want someone to talk to." Laugh it up; really, even I can do that now. But

I am really hoping that at least one person's jaw dropped.

At times, life is scary. It is no news to me that addiction runs in my family. Though, until that night, I strongly believed I was fully in control, knew my limits and was smart enough to stop before endangering myself. I would have loved to believe I could have seen the truth before having an episode like that. But once the shame and remorse ended, I began to wonder: whom else has this happened to? The *Iowa State Daily* provides an apt description of the college life paradox: "Nothing wrong with a few laughs. But what is worrisome are those, particularly in our own community, who cling to the stereotype that college students are mainly in the business of drinking, destroying property and having Mommy foot the bill."

We take comfort in Web sites like [textsfromlastnight.com](#) and [collegecandy.com](#). Reveling in stories that mirror our own, we see that we are not alone. But does that make it ok? What will it take for us to see the pos-

sible consequences of the things we take for granted as part of our university experience?

For me, it was a stern talking to that I wish I could have avoided. For a fellow classmate, it was alcohol counseling. But for a third, it was a liver so badly damaged that he will not see another Lowes Fest before he graduates in 2012.

I guess I am trying to say that if you cannot hear it in a lecture from a parent, or have the experience yourself, hear it from me. Hear it from your friend with a revoked license. Watch it in a YouTube video your cousin posted on your wall (trust me, she's worried about you). Take a second look at the pamphlets in the Health Center. Just find a way to make it stick for you, and hold on to it before you end up in the UDF parking lot too, or worse.

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## KU is about overpricing, overcrowding, underwhelming students

Last Thursday, I got out of class early. This doesn't happen too often to me, and I decided to take advantage of this fact by treating myself to a KU lunch, a rarity because of my fledgling neighborhood account. I had about 40 minutes to relax and eat before I had to go to work, so I resolved to embrace Dining Services' new "green" policy and save 25 cents and did not get my order to go. After weaving my way through the typically crowded cafeteria, I got my food and paid.

I hadn't seen anyone I knew in the dining hall, sans a few acquaintances, so I had already accepted that fact that I would be one of those awkward people who sat alone browsing a textbook or looking busy at their laptop. I had some homework and Facebook stalking to do anyway, so I was fine with resigning myself to sitting solo at the end of a long table. But after doing a quick walk-through of the Pub area, it looked like this was not going to be the case.

It's an unspoken fact that the

long tables in KU are the Mecca for solo eaters, but on this day they were mostly crowded with large groups, or were already full of singletons who actually had, in most cases, actually abandoned the comfortable buffer seat between strangers due to overcrowding.

I did a survey of the rest of the cafeteria, but the same situation only repeated itself, and no one seemed to be leaving anytime soon. As I, embarrassingly, entered the Pub for the second time, I screwed up the courage to do the unthinkable – sit at a four-person table.

I approached a friendly-looking group of two and ask to sit at their table, and after a few awkward looks and the shuffling of books and backpacks, I sat down, pulled out a notebook and started studying the first thing I came to while I began to consume my buffalo chicken sandwich. I was so uncomfortable with the situation that I didn't notice until halfway through the meal that I had been reading the syllabus for my POL 321 class.

I suppose it was a combination of this, the fact that my sandwich was much too spicy, and only being able to hear my tablemates talk about their calculus homework for so long that made me leave the table with my food only half-devoured.

All-in-all, this was an uneasy situation that left me still slightly hungry, \$3 poorer, and wishing my class hadn't been let free early that day. Ever since my freshman year, KU has always been an overly crowded dining hall with only decent food, but it's convenient. As a junior, I'm not going to journey out of the way to VWK or Marycrest for a quick bite to eat, and the Empo gets old after awhile. KU is a central location, and I've never had a huge problem finding somewhere to sit there.

Even though I paint myself as an unpopular lone eater in this anecdote, I do indeed have friends, and although we may have had to share a long table before, I've never once had trouble finding seats for a few people, and obviously not just for

one person.

I don't know what it is about this year – my best guess is the combination of large freshmen and sophomore classes plus the incentive of saving 25 cents by dining in has caused a large influx in the lunchtime crowd. I appreciate Dining Services' call to "go green" and save the environment through composting, but it's becoming a problem with overcrowding.

I would have hoped that Kennedy Union would have foreseen this problem and incorporated extra seating for this year, but the best they can do is do that now. This could be as simple as rearranging some tables to fit more, or adding more long tables as opposed to multiple four-tops, which require more space in-between. Though I am a huge fan of the booths in the Pub, they take up a lot of space. Removing these could free up a lot of room for tables. Just doing small things like this could free up space for just a few more people, gaining more seats and hopefully a quicker

turnover rate, for a pretty small price to the university. Otherwise, I feel that students, especially upper-classmen, will get sick of the more-crowded-than-usual-KU and resort to their apartments and houses for lunch, just get their food to go, or figure that it's worth it to hike up to Marycrest, where the food is usually better anyway. This would ultimately be a loss in money to KU and probably the environment, because, let's face it, no one brings those compostable boxes back to the dining hall once they're done with them.

After this experience, I've figured out something I've been pretty sure of for more than two years: that KU isn't really worth all the trouble you have to go through to get food and enjoy it there.

So, Dining Services, it's your call: are we worth it to you?

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# Intramurals a blast but Sports Editor calls 'foul' on some rules

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My intramurals soccer season recently came to a close, and that is always disappointing. It is a lot of fun to keep on playing the sports I got enjoyed so much in grade school and high school. Intramurals offer the rare opportunity to keep on playing the sports we love in an organized fashion. The intramurals program at UD is great, and the new Web site at imleagues.com seems to be working out quite well.

That being said, there are some issues that really should be ironed out in some of the sports. Namely, some of the rules. For anyone who has ever played intramurals or read the rulebooks for these sports, you know what I am talking about. Things can get pretty ridiculous. Here are some of my least favorites. In flag football, the rules are pretty standard, but they can really get

crazy if you look into them. For instance, did you know that it is legal to cross the line of scrimmage, cross back over onto the side you started, and then throw a legal forward pass? Yeah, it's true. A quarterback, or any other player on the team for that matter, can take the ball, run five yards downfield, turn around, lateral the ball to a player on his team behind the line of scrimmage, and that player may then throw a forward pass to another teammate who is now streaking down the sidelines all alone because everyone on defense thought the play was a run. How foolish of the defense to assume that once the quarterback had started running forward, he wasn't planning on running at all. This rule is absurd. For one thing, it makes it impossible on a defender to have any idea what is going on. For another, it goes against everything any football fan has learned from watching or playing for the first

18 years of his life. It's tough to reverse 18 years of experience over the course of a six week season. So offenses, use the play I just described above, and you'll have great success. Just don't trust any instincts you might have on defense, they don't apply here.

Next let's examine a rule from intramurals soccer. This one is not as ridiculous sounding at first, but I just can't really see any reason for it. The rule is that there are no throw-ins. Normally in soccer, when the ball goes out of bounds, one team is awarded the ball and they throw the ball in to restart play. For whatever reason, UD intramurals decided a throw-in was a bad idea. Instead, they chose to have a team kick the ball in when it goes out of bounds. I guess I just don't understand why a kick-in is better. Throw-ins are not especially difficult to execute, and kick-ins are actually easier on the offense. They are just like a free kick, which is awarded when the opposing team commits a foul. It doesn't make any sense to have out of bounds be the same as a free kick. Maybe if out of bounds is going to equal to a free kick, free kick should be equal to a penalty kick.

Next in line is a pretty dreadful rule in coed basketball. In every intramurals sport there is a slightly

different set of rules which force the girls to get involved or restrict the males. This is done in an effort to make the games more even for every player, and I support the idea. However, this rule just takes it too far. In coed basketball, the guys can never enter the lane. Ever. The rules state specifically not even to get a rebound or pick up a loose ball. A boy simply cannot touch the ball in the lane. Now, the rule is good at heart, but it goes too far. It makes sense to keep the ball away from boys when they are in the lane, ready to back a girl down. However, in following this rule, is a guy just supposed to let a ball roll through the lane and out of bounds because he cannot touch it? Or is he supposed to allow a girl free access to the hoop because he is the only one back on defense and he cannot contest for the ball? Seems like another rule that teams could easily exploit.

For my personal favorite terrible rule, I will take you back to the football field. This one is so absurd, I am not even going to try and explain it. We need to go straight to the literature, and check out spot passes. The intramurals football rules say this: "A player who catches any punt in the air may pass the ball forward, provided that the player does not take more than two

steps after they make the catch." Wait a second. What? That can't be right, let me read this again. Holy crap, I did read that correctly. They are actually allowing someone who catches a punt to throw a pass to one of his teammates. What in the world is the thought process behind that one? What could that possibly add to the game? Anybody who has any ideas or explanations on this rule, let me know, cause it's got me stumped.

The last rule that I hate is the one that comes last in every game it appears: the run rule, or mercy rule. Anybody who is getting involved in an intramurals sport is doing it because they enjoy the fun of playing. You aren't playing because you want to win—that is just a potential bonus of playing. No one is interested in a game ending early; they signed up to play, and the mercy rule is just cheating them from that opportunity. Anybody who signs up should get to play every minute of every game. If they are showing up, it is because they want to have some fun.

The Intramurals at UD are top notch, and have very little work to do. If I was on the staff though, I'd be bring these kinds of things up.

## UD PUTS PERFECT PFL MARK ON THE LINE AGAINST TOREROS

**BRENDAN HADER**  
Staff Writer

After dismantling Valparaiso last weekend, the Dayton Flyers football team looks to continue its momentum Saturday against San Diego.

Winners of six consecutive games, the Flyers enter this weekend's contest with a 6-1 record (4-0 in the Pioneer Football League). They beat Valparaiso 38-7, giving up just two first downs and 60 yards of total offense the entire game.

"Overall it was a very good effort and a well-executed game by our team," head coach Rick Chamberlin said. "We didn't lose focus playing our best football on either side of the ball."

Dayton will face the Toreros boasting the reigning PFL Offensive and Defensive Players of the Week, senior quarterback Steve Valentino and senior defensive end Brandon Wingeier. The honor was Valentino's second of the season and Wingeier's first. Valentino went over 100 yards passing and rushing

while recording three rushing touchdowns. Wingeier had four tackles, a fumble recovery and an interception that he returned for a touchdown.

San Diego is coming off a loss to Jacksonville, putting them at 3-4 (2-3) on the season. Coach Chamberlin is not taking them lightly, however.

I am worried about their speed and athleticism," he said. "San Diego has a ton of athletes. We need to prevent their offense from getting in the open field and be precise with our offense to keep their speedy defense at bay."

San Diego's starting quarterback, redshirt freshman Sam Scudellari, is out for the season after fracturing his left fibula in the loss to Jacksonville. Redshirt sophomore Justin Fontenberry, who entered the fourth quarter of last week's game in place of Scudellari, will get the start for the Toreros.

No matter who San Diego planned on having in at the quarterback position, one player the Flyers need to be wary of is redshirt sophomore wide receiver John

McGough. This season McGough has totaled 30 catches for 466 yards and four touchdowns.

"We'll definitely play some zone to help contain their speed and avoid one-on-one coverage with McGough," Chamberlin said. "We have to be sure to play good, sound defense and avoid giving up the big play."

While the Flyers can't afford to look ahead, a week after the game against San Diego Dayton hosts the Butler Bulldogs who hold sole possession of first place with a 7-0 (6-0) record. Despite this huge game approaching, Chamberlin will be sure his players are ready for San Diego. Even with the 3-4 record, the Toreros lost to Butler by just one point and to Drake, who is tied with the Flyers, by three points.

"Our past experiences with San Diego will keep us grounded," he said. "Our guys will be focused on this game and this game only. San Diego's had some injuries, but they're a quality team who is deep and still dangerous."

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## SCHEDULE

### Volleyball

Friday, Oct. 30 at Xavier 7 p.m. Cintas Center  
Sunday Nov. 1 at Temple 1 p.m. Philadelphia, PA

### Women's Soccer

Sat. Oct. 31 vs. Xavier 7:30 p.m. (Senior Night)

### Men's Soccer

Friday Oct. 30 vs. No. 11 Charlotte 7 p.m. (Senior Night)  
Sunday November 1 vs. St. Louis 1 p.m. Baujan Field

### Football

Saturday, Oct. 31 vs. San Diego, 1 p.m. Welcome Stadium

### Cross Country

Saturday, Oct. 31 A-10 Championship, St. Louis, Mo.

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This week marks the second time this season that Dayton GK Katherine Boone has been named the A-10 Women's Soccer Rookie of the Week. Boone recorded 2 shut-outs last weekend during the Flyers' 2-0 homestand. Bonne's current goals against average of 0.25 is best in the A-10 and second best in NCAA division I women's soccer.

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UD All-American middle blocker Lindsay Fletemier was named A-10 Offensive Player of the Week for the fourth time this season this week.

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The Dayton Flyers football team enters this weekend with the second best winning percentage in all of FCS football since 200 with a mark of (.788).

# WHAT A DIFFERENCE A YEAR (OR THREE) CAN MAKE

Three seasons removed from A-10 doormat, Flyers look to defend conference crown in 2009

### JACOB ROSEN

Chief Sports Writer

The men's soccer season is winding down and this weekend features two pivotal contests in their quest for a second straight Atlantic-10 Championship.

The Flyers are currently 9-4-1 and 4-1-0 in the Atlantic-10 and take on two of the top teams in the conference this weekend. Play begins Friday night at 7 p.m. for Dayton's Senior Night at Baujan Field as they take on undefeated and nationally ranked Charlotte.

Continuing play this weekend, the Flyers will take on the rival St. Louis Billikens Sunday at 1 p.m. These games will begin the descent of the final season for many of the top contributors to the men's soccer team. After this weekend, the team hosts Xavier next weekend as well as traveling to St. Bonaventure on November 6 for the make-up of a postponed game. A top six finish will bring the team to the conference tournament for a third straight year.

Currently in his fifth year at the helm of the UD men's soccer program, head coach Dennis Currier mentioned how proud he is of the state of the team today. Just three years ago, the team was 6-9-2 overall and finished with a lowly 2-5-2 record within the Atlantic-10 Conference. Flash forward to last season and the team advanced to the NCAA Tournament on the heels of an impressive 15-4-3 overall record.

Zach Weiss, a senior midfielder from St. Louis, was the player that provided the game-winner in 2008's championship contest. He recalls fond memories of the night in Pittsburgh last November, and it brought a smile to his face when asked to describe the scene. "For a time like that," Weiss said, "it was huge both for me and clearly the team as well."

Not only was the A-10 final a huge thrill for the team, but there was also a key stretch against both of these two teams during the regular season that helped to push the team farther along. A successful road trip against Charlotte and St. Louis in late October garnered the Flyers a win and a tie, helping to push them into the conference tournament as the no. 3 seed.

"This is a massive weekend at home for us, especially with Charlotte coming in ranked



Senior defender Sonny Renner clears the ball earlier this season. Renner is one of 10 seniors on the men's soccer team, which celebrates senior night against Charlotte Friday. RYAN KOZELKA/MANAGING EDITOR

number nine in the nation," Currier said. "These games will dictate whether we are merely a good team or a great team."

The keys for this weekend, according to Currier, are most importantly individual and team defending. Both Charlotte and St. Louis are in the top tier of goal-scoring teams in the A-10, and thus it will be important to see how the Flyers respond defensively. Two other keys to victory Currier mentioned were transitioning and the team's ability to finish their offensive chances.

Recalling the memories of his seniors this season, Coach Currier grew sentimental about the improving nature of the team. "They have meant a great

deal to me and were my first full recruiting class," he said in recognition of this year's collection of seniors. "This group elevated the Dayton soccer program and created a winning culture, both on and off the field."

Senior defender Randy Dennis has made 62 out of a possible 64 starts in his illustrious Dayton career, and he emphasized the importance of the remaining schedule this season. He said the team knows they have to succeed this weekend in order to advance into the A-10 Tournament. According to the dreadlocked Dennis, the team understands how every game matters beginning this weekend and then finishing with Xavier and St. Bonaventure.

Mentioning how nationally ranked Charlotte is undefeated on the season, he also made sure to say that his sights are clearly on the task-at-hand.

"We have to focus on Friday, that is probably going to be the toughest remaining game," he said.

In looking back at the four years at Dayton, Weiss also said his favorite memories are simply the "Friday Nights at Baujan." The key for him this weekend is the ability of the team to capitalize on their home court just as they have for the past three years.

"It will be important to come out prepared, excited and relaxed on the field," he said.



## Cross Country



The women's cross country races earlier this season. The Flyers have been quite successful this year, and will look to continue running well in their biggest meet of the year, the Atlantic 10 Championships. PHOTO COURTESY OF ERIK SCHELKUN

# HARRIERS HEAD TO REGIONALS

Women's team looks to finish strong with best finish in UD history

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The Dayton women's cross country team has had a strong season up to this point finishing first or second in four of the team's five meets this year. The women harriers also placed 28<sup>th</sup> overall at the NCAA Pre-National meet in Terre Haute, Indiana on October 16.

This weekend the team is heading to the Atlantic 10 Championship meet in St. Louis, Missouri. "It's probably the biggest meet that we focus on for the entire year," head coach Ann Alyanak said. "And the only other teams that we've seen (from the A-10 this season) are Xavier and Charlotte. Although we haven't seen most of these teams this year, we keep track of what they are doing and there's weekly A-10 polls that the coaches vote on so we kind of have an idea of where we stack up."

Alyanak, who has been on maternity leave for most of the season but still keeps up on the team, touched on some of the team's success. "So far the team has run great," Alyanak said.

"We've had top-two finishes at every meet besides pre nationals. And pre-nationals was extremely competitive and we had a good showing there." Junior standout Maureen Bulgrin has been one of the standouts for the Flyers all season. "She's had a great season," Alyanak said. "She won the first three races which is a big feat to do at collegiate races. She should also have a strong showing at the conference meet. I would

expect her to be up toward the front along with (junior) Liz Coorey and (sophomore) Elissa Mason they've all been running really well this year."

Alyanak said that the entire team qualified for the Flyers' NCAA Regional meet on November 14 in Bloomington, Indiana. "At regionals I think we are capable of having our best finish in school history," Alyanak said. "We've been ranked in the top 15 in our region all season and that would be huge for us to finish in the top 15."

With the strength of the region the Flyers fall into, a top 15 finish is a tall order but it's one that Alyanak and her runners are up for. "We've got some good powerhouse teams in there," Alyanak said. "Michigan, Notre Dame, Michigan State, Wisconsin, Indiana; it's a tough region." With the season winding down Alyanak said the training regimen now shifts to train the girls on the team to have their best and fastest performances at the end of the season. It's what's referred to as "peaking" in cross country and the timing of it is crucial. If the process is started too early it can cause runners to burn out and not perform their best. "We're doing some shorter, quicker stuff now," Alyanak said. "And the volume has definitely decreased so we're looking to freshen up their legs so they're feeling good."

And it will hopefully be the team that's feeling good and moving on to the NCAA National meet after a stop in Bloomington, Indiana along the way.

Fall 2009 season deemed 'season of respect', Flyers look to earn at-large bid to NCAA National Meet

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For the Dayton men's cross country team the fall 2009 season is all about respect. Respect from their coaching staff, respect from the rest of the Atlantic 10 and most importantly respect for themselves.

"At the end of the 2009 spring season, we began referring to the 2009 fall season as the season of respect," head coach Rich Davis said. "For every meet I set expectations for the guys and for every meet somehow they find a way to slightly exceed those expectations. In doing so they've earned my respect. They're dedicated to the sport and they've taken ownership of it and that's turned into a lot of respect from others but most importantly self respect among the team."

Coach Davis said that one of the challenges for the Flyers has been their depth. In cross country, just as in golf, the low score wins and is derived from adding up the placements of the team's first five runners. For example, a perfect score in cross country is a single team recording the overall first through fifth place finishes for a score of 15. It's easy then to see why depth is so crucial.

"Our guys have to be dead on all the time because we don't have the depth that if one guy doesn't

succeed that we can succeed as a team," Davis said. "We're not like most teams competing for the A-10 title in that sense."

Because of this the team's success is driven, primarily, by

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**Rich Davis,  
Men's Cross Country Coach**

three men: Juniors Matt and Christ Lemon (the two are twin brothers) and RS senior Mike Andersen.

"The Lemon twins are the first ever UD Flyers to achieve the national championship race and they did that in their sophomore seasons last year," Davis said. "The two of them are led and motivated by Mike. He was very instrumental in attracting the

Lemon brothers to UD. And the three of them were crucial in the recruitment of Greg Roeth who is our fourth man."

Coach Davis said that the immediate goal for the Flyers is to win the A-10 Conference meet on Saturday in St. Louis. For the first time in the 29 year history of the program, the Flyers enter the conference meet ranked as the number one team in the conference.

"All those rankings don't matter once the gun goes off," Davis said. "It's how you run on the course. But we want to represent the respect that the A-10 coaches are giving us by making an all out effort to win that race as a team."

And as the season winds down with the NCAA Great Lakes Regional meet on November 14 the team hopes to finish at least sixth (the Flyers by the way are ranked sixth in the region's poll) and earn an at large bid to the national meet. The top two teams from the Great Lakes Region receive automatic bids to the national meet. The top four individuals also receive invites to the NCAA national meet.

"Our goal is to work to prove our pre-race ranking in the coaches' poll," Davis said. "And hopefully we'll get in that top six and earn an at large bid. But like I said, we're having a great season and it's a lot of fun when you're doing so well."